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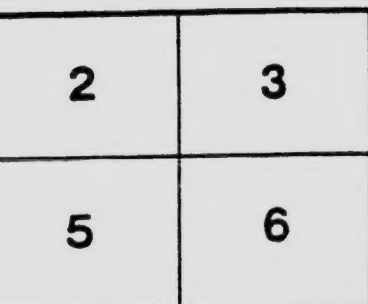
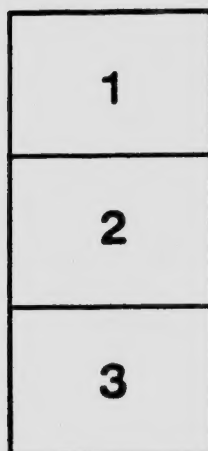
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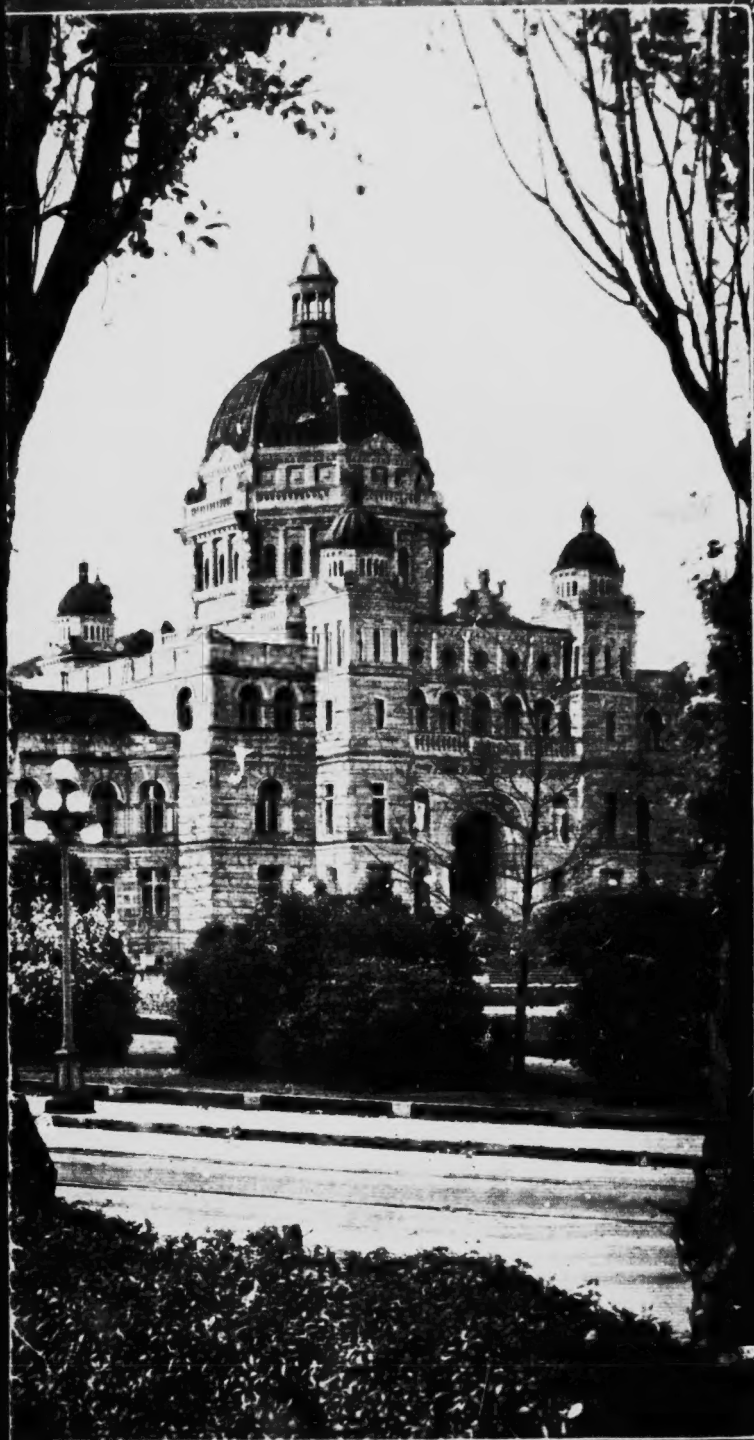
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**A GUIDE!** WHERE TO GO  
AND WHAT TO  
SEE IN AND AROUND THE EVERGREEN  
**CITY OF VICTORIA**



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

American visitors are informed that they can change their money into Canadian currency, or vice versa, at any of the banks.

Visitors are reminded that the rule of the left-hand drive is still in force on Vancouver Island.

Rules and regulations in regard to customs may be obtained at the Post Office.

Visitors may secure liquor permits upon application at the Prohibition Department in the Parliament Buildings.

The United States Consulate is situated in the Belmont Building, Government Street, Room 103.

Dominion Immigration Department is at the Outer Docks, Pier No. 2.

For further information apply at Victoria and Island Development Association, Belmont Building, corner Gordon and Humboldt.

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF VICTORIA

The City of Victoria was founded in 1843, by Sir James Douglas, afterward Governor of Vancouver Island, and the first Governor of British Columbia.

The story of the mother-city reads like a romance. The Hudson Bay Company originally laid it out as a fort, in the days of trouble over the international boundary. Indian raids in those days were not unusual, and in the heart of the down-town district may be seen a brass tablet, showing that fortifications once covered the area bounded now by Fort Street, Government Street, Bastion Street, and the waterfront.

At Craigflower Bridge, near the Gorge City Park, is still standing the old school house where the first white children went to school; and out at Cadboro Bay visitors are shown the spot where once bubbled the famous Mystic Spring, sacred to the Indians, who believed that its waters could cure disease and bring health and wealth to those who drank them.

The excitement of the Cariboo Gold Rush brought Victoria into wide prominence in 1858 from which time it has steadily progressed, receiving a fresh impetus in 1898-1905 from the Klondyke Gold Stampede. The fact of Victoria being Canada's naval base on the Pacific, and the first port of call for vessels entering the Strait, has done much for its prosperity. It has been incorporated since 1862.



Through the medium of this little book, the citizens of Victoria, the capital city of British Columbia, and the mother-city of the Pacific Northwest, extend to you a hearty welcome, and trust that during your stay among them, pleasure and sunshine may attend you, and that

**YOU WILL COME AGAIN**



**FOLLOW THE BIRDS TO VICTORIA, WHERE  
ALL OF YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE**

I know a land where roses bloom,  
In gracious splendor all the year,  
And where the drenching sunbeams fall,  
On flowered mead, on vine-clad wall,  
And groves of fir and cedar tall,  
And azure waters clear.

Follow the birds to Victoria,  
That is the fairyland;  
Where sun shines down on hill and town,  
And seas kiss silver sand.  
Follow the birds, the happy birds,  
Over the waters blue,  
To the city of flowers and fragrant hours,  
Where all of your dreams come true.

I know a land where winding roads  
Lead to a thousand sweet delights,  
Where meadow larks their voices raise  
In songs of love and peons of praise,  
And life is full of golden days,  
And star-bespangled nights.

Follow the birds to Victoria,  
That is the fairyland;  
Where sun shines down on hill and town,  
And seas kiss silver sand.  
Follow the birds, the joyous birds,  
Over the waters blue,  
To the city of flowers and fragrant hours,  
Where all of your dreams come true.

The opal hills around the sea,  
Like iridescent jewels are hung,  
And lilies bloom near paths untrod,  
And glowing broom, and goldenrod  
As radiant as the smile of God,  
And all the world is young.

Follow the birds to Victoria,  
That is the fairyland;  
Where sun shines down on hill and town,  
And seas kiss silver sand.  
Follow the birds, the homing birds,  
Over the waters blue,  
To the city of flowers and fragrant hours,  
Where all of your dreams come true.

## **PLACES OF INTEREST AND HOW TO REACH THEM**

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From the moment the visitor steps from the boat he will find that his entertainment begins. Victoria's waterfront, unlike almost any other in the world, is beautified by magnificent buildings and gracious gardens, and the first of these to attract the eye is the Parliament Buildings, which form the cover of this pamphlet.

### **THE PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS**

The Parliament Buildings are situated at the right hand side of the Inner Harbour, and are



## NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

The Museum is located in the left wing of the Parliament Buildings, and is established for natural history, anthropology, and the natural sciences.

The collection of big game animals has been greatly admired by naturalists of international reputation. The ethnological exhibit is noteworthy, con-



## BY STREET-CAR AND HIGHWAY

**Beacon Hill Park** is reached by Car No. 3 on Government Street. It is also within easy walking distance of the centre of the city. This park is situated amid wonderful scenic environment, the sea and the snow-capped mountains forming a beautiful setting to the picturesque hillsides, gay with flowers, the placid lakes and rustic architecture of bridges and pavilions. Cricket and bowling on the green, playgrounds and picnic grounds, deer and other game in the enclosures furnish interest to all.

**Cadboro Bay and Uplands**—Reached by Car No. 9 at Fort and Government Streets. This car's terminus is in one of the most beautiful residential areas, where charming homes may be seen. Originally laid out as a park, the roads which traverse Uplands are gracefully winding, each one disclosing some new scenic aspect. A few minutes' walk from



### Canoeing and Yachting on the Island

the car takes one to a hard, clean, sandy beach, two miles in extent, picturesquely bordered by overhanging maples, where there is an excellent tourist hotel. Here are also many boat-houses, bathing-houses, tea-houses, as well as picnic grounds, and an artistic and well appointed yacht club.

**Esquimalt and Esquimalt Harbour**—Take Car No. 4 on Yates and Government. Esquimalt is about twenty minutes' run from the city, and the tourist will find here the British Naval Station, including the Naval College. The new drydock, one of the largest in the world, is in course of construction.

**Oak Bay**—Take Car No. 1, on Fort Street at Government. This is another charming residential district with an excellent hotel. The sea and land scapes in this locality are well worth the journey. Boating, bathing, fishing and golf are among the attractions.

**Bathing Beaches**—The principal bathing and swimming resorts are to be found at Cadboro Bay, Car No. 9; Foul Bay, Car No. 6; Gorge City Park, Car No. 5; Willows, Car No. 11; and Cordova Bay. But there are smaller beaches and bays which are frequented during the summer months, within easy walking distance of the city, or by short motor drives.

**The Gorge Park** is reached by car No. 5 in fifteen minutes from the city, and is situated near the reversible falls. Here are to be had boating, bathing and picnic grounds, open air entertainments, Japanese tea-gardens, scenic railway and many other attractions. It is illuminated every evening through the



### **Regatta at the Gorge**

summer, when band concerts and dancing are to be enjoyed.

### **SPORTS**

Victoria in its marvelous scenic environment, and with its ideal climate, means life in the open nearly all the year round. Cricket, baseball, tennis, football, hockey, lacrosse, bowling, motor-boating, yachting, canoeing, trap shooting, riding, driving, bicycling, sea-bathing and sailing are among the sports and pastimes followed during the year. There is not a month when sport of various kinds is not available.

There are more swimming clubs in Victoria than in any city on the coast. The P. N. W. Amateur Swimming Championship has been held here for four years at the Gorge.

There is a large artificial ice rink where patrons of this sport may enjoy themselves, and where international hockey is played throughout the season.



## GOLF

There are three golf links in Victoria's vicinity, and two of them are pronounced the equal of any on the Coast. The Oak Bay links, an eighteen hole course, is famous as the scene of many an international tournament. The Colwood links, with broad greens, surrounded by age-old oaks and maples, and with most interesting natural hazards, has a very large membership, and is becoming more and more popular. It is on the stage run, and the E. & N. R.R., about eight miles from the city. There is an excellent nine-hole links at Esquimalt.



The opportunities of fishing and shooting near Victoria are many, and information for fishermen and hunters will gladly be supplied at this office.

## VICTORIA'S THEATRES

Victoria is amply supplied with theatres, and those of a most attractive type, the Royal Victoria being one of the finest in America.

The Capitol Theatre is a new house for the screen drama, and is one of a chain of splendid theatres well known to movie fans. The Dominion, also a movie house, exclusively, has a fine pipe organ. The Pantages, devoted to Vaudeville, is a comparatively new building. There are also the "Princess," where a stock company usually holds the boards; the Variety, the Columbia, Romano, and Crystal Theatres.

The Public Library on the corner of Yates and Blanshard may be used by visitors on all week days.

The Y.M.C.A. is on the corner of View and Blanshard.

The Y.W.C.A. is in the Stobart-Pease Building, Yates Street.

## OUR TWO OBSERVATORIES

### THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY

This is reached by the electric interurban line or by motor. It is seven miles from the city and is situated at the top of Little Saanich Mountain. This splendid monument of scientific achievement is under the direction of Dr. J. S. Plaskett, one of the most scholarly exponents of astrophysics.

The site for the observatory was selected by the Government because of Victoria's unequalled climate,



**The Astrophysical Observatory**

and the low range of temperature. It commands one of the finest views on the Pacific Coast.

The telescope housed herein is the second largest in the world, and the mechanism which moves the building and the great instrument, elaborate and intricate though it is, can be worked merely by the pressure of electric buttons. Every day in the week until five o'clock the observatory is open to visitors, and on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. the heavens may be viewed through the telescope, and an explanatory lecture is given by Dr. Plaskett. Special motors leave the city every Saturday evening, and will call at your hotel.

Pamphlets descriptive of the Astrophysical and Meteorological Observatories are obtainable at the office of the Victoria and Island Development Association.

## **THE METERELOGICAL OBSERVATORY**

Within fifteen minutes' tram ride or motor ride from the city—Car No. 6, on Douglas or Fort Streets—is situated the Metereological Observatory, at the summit of beautiful Gonzales Hill.

Visitors interested in weather observation or seismological research will thoroughly enjoy a visit to this completely equipped Ob-ervatory. It is the metereological headquarters for the Dominion of Canada in the Province of British Columbia. The Director, Mr. F. Napier Dennison, a seismologist of well-known ability, presides over the work of 140 metereological stations, as well as noting and studying earthquakes. The view from the top of Gonzales Hill is well worth the trip to the observatory.

Visitors are welcome upon any week day, from ten o'clock in the morning until five in the afternoon.



**View from the Metereological Observatory**

## **BRENTWOOD AND SOOKE HARBOUR**

Two charming resorts, with boating, bathing and fishing, and delightful hotels. Brentwood is on the interurban line, on inland waters, and Sooke the nearest resort to the open Pacific.

## **DOMINION EXPERIMENTAL FARM**

This interesting farm is one of four in B.C. It is designed to test out plants, and certain classes of stock suited to the Island. A valuable arboretum is one of its accessories, and a seed plantation. Prof. Lionel Steven-on is in charge, and visitors are always welcome. Take the Saanich Interurban car.

## **CITY AND ISLAND HOTELS**

Pamphlets and information regarding city and island hotels will be supplied at the Victoria and Island Development Association.

## **BUTCHART'S GARDENS**

### **The Garden of a Thousand Delights**

Visitors from far and near acclaim these gardens to be unsurpassed in point of variety and beauty. Many people come to Victoria for the sole purpose of viewing them. They cover many acres and feature rose gardens, Japanese gardens, sunken gardens, lakes, streams, waterfalls and other attractions; and, although they are privately owned, through the courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Butchart, they are open to visitors every day except Thursday and Sunday. Take Saanich Interurban car, or motor.

## **DEEP COVE**

This interesting resort is the terminus of the Saanich Interurban line, situated 22 miles from the



**Saanich Cherry Tree**

city. A pretty little chalet accommodates guests, and in the sheltered waters of the bay can be had boating, fishing or bathing. Launches may also be obtained here for delightful trips among the thousand islands of the Gulf.

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## **A FEW FACTS TO BEAR IN MIND**

Victoria has 132 miles of concrete sidewalks, 65 miles of boulevards, 75 miles of paved streets, 8 miles of cluster light standards, 134 miles of water mains.

Victoria has the lowest death rate in America.

Victoria has more bright sunshine than any city in Canada.

Average winter temperature, 40 deg. above.

Average summer temperature, 60 deg. above.

Average rainfall, 27 inches.

## THE MOTORIST'S PARADISE

Victoria itself, with its miles of paved streets and boulevards its colourful gardens, its fine residences, its matchless marine drives, is the delight of all motorists. But it is also the gateway to Vancouver Island with its multitude of scenic marvels. Visitors will find plenty of reliable cars and drivers who have schedules of the trips from Victoria to Campbell River, and west to the lovely Alberni lakes. In our limited space we can only mention a few of these drives.



On the Island Highway

**The Saanich Peninsula Drive**—This is a drive of 45 miles through the semi-rural and rural districts of the famous fruit-growing district of Saanich.

**Goldstream**—A drive of 25 miles through beautiful wooded country along the lake-shore, to a picturesque picnic ground by a mountain stream fed by a graceful waterfall.

**Colwood, Metchosin and Sooke** lie west of the city and the drive takes the visitor along the sea-coast through avenues of trees and past hamlets and farms. In this district is **William Head**, where all ocean ships call to obtain pratique.

## THE CELEBRATED MALAHAT DRIVE

This is one of the loveliest scenic routes on the continent. It is a drive of about 46 miles, and reaches its mecca at a summit of 1,260 feet, where it overlooks the inland waters of Saanich Arm, the Straits of Georgia, the Straits of Juan de Fuca, and the snow-crowned procession of Olympic mountains.

**Shawnigan Lake, Duncan, Cowichan Lake and River and Bay, Alberni, Great Central and Sproat Lakes, Qualicum, Cameron Lake, Parkesville, and Campbell River—All of the above lovely resorts are on our Island Highway. At each and all fine hotels**



**The Malahat Drive**

are to be found, and every sort of outdoor recreation and relaxation. The scenery along these routes is unequalled. Every turn discloses some new and admiration-compelling panorama—snow-capped ranges, mountain torrents, primeval forests, lakes and rivers, charming villages, picturesque towns, and every conceivable form of out-of-door beauty.



**Saanich Arm**

## RAILWAY AND STEAMER TRIPS

Goldstream, Colwood, Shawnigan Lake, Duncan, Cowichan Lake, Nanaimo, Parkesville, Qualicum Beach, Cameron Lake, Port Alberni Great Central Lake, Sproat Lake, Courtenay and other places are reached by the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway daily.

For fares and time tables apply to C.P.R. ticket office, on the corner of Government and Fort Streets.



**Through the Gulf Islands**

A C.P.R. steamer will take the visitor on a delightful one-day trip among the Gulf Islands. The little voyage on the sunny inland waters among isles and islets as lovely as jewels, is one that will never be forgotten.

Three times a month a C.P.R. steamer sails up the West Coast of the Island, where the great Pacific sweeps in on a rugged coast, and where ancient Indian villages lie within the sheltered bays. Here too are canneries, whaling station, pulp mills, lumber mills, and many other industries.



The Saanich Interurban Station is at 1505 Douglas Street, directly opposite the City Hall.

The Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway trains leave Victoria twice daily for up-island points, and twice weekly for Cowichan Lake.

# STREET CAR ROUTES

## WEEK-DAY SCHEDULE

ROUTE AND CAR SIGN NO.	First Car from City	Last Car from City	First Car from Terminus	Last Car from Terminus	Service in Minutes
Oak Bay .....	1 5.52 a.m.	11.45 p.m.	6.10 a.m.	12.04 m.n.	20 mins.
Outer Wharf .....	2 6.10 a.m.	11.46 p.m.	6.19 a.m.	11.55 p.m.	12 mins.
Cloverdale .....	2 6.16 a.m.	11.40 p.m.	6.25 a.m.	11.49 p.m.	12 mins.
Leacock Hill .....	3 6.16 a.m.	11.40 p.m.	6.25 a.m.	11.49 p.m.	12 mins.
Fernwood .....	3 6.10 a.m.	11.46 p.m.	6.19 a.m.	11.55 p.m.	12 mins.
Esquimalt .....	4 5.48 a.m.	11.48 p.m.	6.12 a.m.	12.12 m.n.	20 mins.
Gorge .....	5 5.54 a.m.	11.42 p.m.	6.12 a.m.	12.00 m.n.	12 mins.
Font Pay .....	6 5.52 a.m.	11.42 p.m.	6.12 a.m.	12.02 m.n.	12 mins.
Hillside .....	6 6.04 a.m.	11.40 p.m.	6.16 a.m.	11.52 p.m.	12 mins.
Burnside .....	8 5.55 a.m.	11.25 p.m.	6.05 a.m.	11.35 p.m.	30 mins.
Uplands .....	9 5.56 a.m.	11.41 p.m.	6.18 a.m.	12.03 m.n.	15 mins.
Mount Tobie .....	10 6.11 a.m.	11.15 p.m.	6.35 a.m.	11.35 p.m.	30 mins.
Willows .....	11 7.05 a.m.	11.41 p.m.	6.11 a.m.	12.11 m.n.	15 mins.

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

CARS ON ALL ROUTES BEGIN THREE HOURS LATER AND FINISH ONE HOUR EARLIER

### SAANICH INTERURBAN TIME TABLE (Summer Schedule)

WEEK DAY SERVICE											
Victoria - (Lve.)	A.M. 7.00	A.M. 8.00	A.M. 10.00	A.M. 11.00	P.M. 1.30	P.M. 3.30	P.M. 5.30	P.M. 7.30	P.M. 8.30	P.M. 11.30	P.M. 11.30
Observatory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brentwood	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saanichon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Experimental Farm	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deep Bay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUNDAY SERVICE											
Victoria - (Lve.)	A.M. 7.20	A.M. 8.20	A.M. 10.20	A.M. 1.30	P.M. 4.30	P.M. 6.30	P.M. 8.30	P.M. 10.20	P.M. 10.43	P.M. 10.52	P.M. 11.06
Observatory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brentwood	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Experimental Farm	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deep Bay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WEEK DAY SERVICE											
Deep Bay - (Lve.)	A.M. (Lve.)	A.M. 9.30	A.M. 10.45	A.M. 11.15	P.M. 1.30	P.M. 3.45	P.M. 5.15	P.M. 7.15	P.M. 9.15	P.M. 11.15	P.M. 1.30
Experimental Farm	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saanichon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brentwood	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Observatory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Victoria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUNDAY SERVICE											
Deep Bay - (Lve.)	A.M. 9.00	A.M. 10.00	A.M. 11.00	A.M. 1.00	P.M. 3.00	P.M. 5.00	P.M. 7.00	P.M. 9.00	P.M. 11.00	P.M. 1.00	P.M. 1.30
Experimental Farm	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brentwood	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Observatory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Victoria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## C. P. R. STEAMERS

### Victoria-Vancouver

Leave Victoria daily.....	2.15 p.m.	Arrive Vancouver	7.15 p.m.
" " dy ex Sat	11.45 p.m.	" "	7.00 p.m.
" Vancouver daily.....	10.30 a.m.	" Victoria	3.00 p.m.
" "	12.00 midn.	" "	7.00 a.m.

### Victoria-Seattle

Leave Victoria daily .....	4.30 p.m.	Arrive Seattle...	9.30 p.m.
Seattle " .....	9.00 a.m.	Victoria	1.15 p.m.

### Vancouver-Seattle

Leave Vancouver daily.....	11.00 p.m.	Arrive Seattle.....	8.00 a.m.
Seattle dy ex Sun	11.30 p.m.	Vancouver	8.00 a.m.



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